

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

<b>JOHN R. ZIMMERMAN,</b>	:	
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<b>Plaintiff</b>	:	
	:	<b>No. 1:13-cv-2788</b>
<b>v.</b>	:	
	:	<b>Honorable Yvette Kane</b>
<b>THOMAS W. CORBETT, LINDA L.</b>	:	
<b>KELLY, FRANK G. FINA, K.</b>	:	
<b>KENNETH BROWN, MICHAEL A.</b>	:	<b>Electronically Filed Document</b>
<b>SPROW, ANTHONY J. FIORE AND</b>	:	
<b>GARY E. SPEAKS,</b>	:	
<b>Defendants</b>	:	

**ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF’S AMENDED COMPLAINT**

1. This is a conclusion of law to which no response is required.
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15. This paragraph makes reference to written documents, such written documents speak for themselves.

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122. This paragraph makes reference to written documents, such written documents speak for themselves.

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152. Denied that any Defendants improperly destroyed exculpatory witness and proffer notes.

153. Denied that any destruction of any notes was improper.

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157. Denied.

158. Denied.

159. Denied.

160. Denied.

161. Denied.

162. Admitted that the Defendants did not seek to dismiss the civil charges.

163. Denied.

164. Denied.

165. No response required.

166. This is a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

167. Denied.

168. Denied.

169. Denied.

170. Denied.

171. Denied.

172. Denied.

173. Denied.

174. Denied.

175. Denied.

176. This is a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

177. Denied.

178. Denied.

179. Denied.

180. Denied.

181. Denied.

182. Admitted.

183. This is a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

184. Denied.

185. Denied.

186. No response required.

187. This is a conclusion of law to which no response is required.

188. Denied that the Defendants acted improperly.

189. Denied that Defendants did these things.

190. Denied that Defendants engaged in any misconduct.

191. Denied.

192. Denied.

193. Denied.

### **FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

The Complaint fails to state any claim upon which relief may be granted.

### **SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Defendants are immune from liability by virtue of absolute, qualified, official, governmental, state sovereign, and/or any other immunity.

### **THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Some or all of Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the statute of limitations, failure to exhaust his administrative remedies and/or statutory bars to recovery.

### **FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Some or all of Plaintiffs' claims may be barred by the doctrines of estoppel, waiver, and/or laches.

Respectfully submitted,

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	:	<b>Honorable Yvette Kane</b>
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<b>KELLY, FRANK G. FINA, K.</b>	:	
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<b>GARY E. SPEAKS,</b>	:	
<b>Defendants</b>	:	

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Timothy P. Keating, Senior Deputy Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Attorney General, hereby certify that on March 12, 2015, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing document titled Answer to Plaintiff's Amended Complaint to the following:

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